

**LISTING OF THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claim 7 as shown below. No new matter has been added.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-5 (canceled).

Claim 6 (Previously presented): A method for drying laundry in a laundry dryer having a program control device, a drying chamber and a process air circuit including a fresh air supply passageway and an exhaust air discharge passageway, the process air circuit having disposed therein a heater and a blower for conveying drying air through the drying chamber, the method comprising:

providing a flow dividing device in the process air circuit configured to divide, into an exhaust air component and a recirculated air component, a flow of the drying air;  
measuring, by a sensor, at least one of a pressure and a pressure profile in an air stream of the process air circuit in an area where the drying air enters the drying chamber;  
evaluating the at least one of the pressure and the pressure profile; and  
controlling the flow dividing device based on the evaluating so as to reduce or set to zero the recirculated air component and to continue a drying process at a reduced volumetric flow rate of the drying air through the drying chamber.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The method for drying laundry as recited in claim ~~4~~6 further comprising reducing a heating power based on the reduced volumetric flow rate of the drying air.

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): A laundry dryer comprising:  
a program control module;  
a drying chamber;

a flow dividing device disposed in the process air circuit and configured to controllably divide a flow of the drying air into an exhaust air component and a recirculated air component, the flow dividing device including a shut-off damper configured to completely or partially close an air path of the recirculated air component based on the measured at least one of a pressure and a pressure profile.

the pressure sensor is disposed in a space between the stationary heating duct section and the rotating drum.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The laundry dryer as recited in claim 9 wherein the pressure sensor is disposed in an area where the drying air enters the drying chamber.